September 23, 2011

Zoning Committee Public Hearing Conditional Use Permit Gayne and Barbara Erdmann

This public hearing was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Zoning Committee Chairman Bob Schneider. This hearing has been posted and published as is required by Wis. Stats and LdF Zoning Ordinance 93-4.

Introductions were made. Zoning Committee members present were Dan Shanahan, Janet Konopacki, Robert Milburn, Bill Spetz and Chairman Bob Schneider. Also representing the Town were Sue Ackland Town Zoning Administrator and Teri Shaw Zoning Committee Secretary. Also present are, Gayne and Barbara Erdmann, and Matt Carothers, who is serving as the land owners agent and intermediary for obtaining the proper permits required.

On today's agenda is the request from the Erdman's for cutting trees exceeding the limitation for a R-1 District, not a lake parcel #10-645 MFL.

Mr. Carothers has turned in 3 green cards.

The committee has viewed the property and asked Mr. Erdmann what his plans were.

Mr. Carothers: Mr. Erdmann has 2 parcels of land. One is 40 acres of Managed Forest Land – MFL, and the other adjoining parcel is a 36 acre Gov. lot, that is not MFL. Both are zoned R-1, and per the Managed Forest Stewardship Program there is a mandatory harvest this year.

Discussion took place about the timber sale, and an explanation of Mr. Erdmann's detailed management plan and objective.

Mr. Carothers stated that the timber sale was consistent with State auidelines and sound forestry practice.

Discussion took place regarding the types and sizes of the trees to be harvested. Mr. Carothers stated that it was mostly mixed hardwoods, pine birch and a small amount of oak that were to be cut. Along with several areas of aspen that will be clear cut.

Sue Ackland stated that the Erdmann's were required to obtain a permit from the Vilas County Zoning Committee. That it usually isn't needed, but because they were doing the harvesting within 300 feet of the lake it was required.

The permit has already been obtained from the Vilas County Zoning Committee.

Discussion about the Erdmann's long term forest management plan, the reseeding and replanting of the parcels after cutting and its projected out come.

Chairman Bob Schneider than read two letters concerning the tree Harvest to the committee members, Gayne and Barbara Erdmann and Matt Carothers. The letters were from Gary Erdmann and Gene Hukey, both are neighbors of the Erdmann property. Both letters were in favor of the tree harvesting being done.

Discussion took place about the contents of each letter.

Chairman Bob Schneider asked if there was any more discussion or questions from the board?

Hearing none. May I have a motion?

Rob Millburn: I make a motion to approve the CUP as presented.

Dan Shanahan: I second the motion.

Bob Schneider: May I have a vote.

Dan: Accept Rob: Accept Bob: Accept Jan: Accept Bill: Accept

All in favor.

Passed.

The findings of fact will be completed.

Meeting adjourned at 1:13pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Teri Shaw Secretary Zoning Committee

THERE IS A TAPE RECORDING OF THIS PUBLIC HEARING ON FILE AT THE TOWN OF LAC DU FLAMBEAU OFFICES.